



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Del Vista Timber Sale, App. No. 83736, and Forest Practice Application No. 2810586. Even-aged harvest of 2,334 MBF of timber from 84.6 acres and uneven-aged harvest of 134 MBF of timber from 18.3 acres for a total harvest of 2,468 MBF from 102.9 (103) acres. Proposal includes 9,114 feet of road reconstruction, and up to 13,408 feet of temporary road construction (to be built, then abandoned after completion of use).

Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Sections 7 and 18 of Township 33 North, Range 06 East; and Sections 2, 3, 12, 13, and 14 of Township 33 North, Range 05 East, W.M. Proposal is located 23 miles southeast of Sedro-Woolley, in Skagit County, off of Hwy 9, Lake Cavanaugh Road, BR-ML, BR-24, and BR-46 forest roads.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from April 28, 2009. Comments must be submitted by May 12, 2009.

Responsible official: William J. Wallace

Position/title: Northwest Region Manager **Phone:** 360-856-3500

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Date: April 28, 2009 **Signature:** William Wallace

There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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MITIGATED MEASURES

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Streams:

- 1 type 3 stream with a 195-foot, no-harvest buffer.
- 2 type 4 streams with a 100-foot, no-harvest buffer.
- 6 type 4 streams with a 100-foot riparian management buffer that will be thinned, however, this buffer includes a minimum 35-foot, no-harvest core zone.

Wetlands:

A specialist from the Department of Ecology visited a fen/wetland complex located approximately 1500' to the southeast of Unit 1. The specialist determined that the reconstruction of an old road through the fen buffer would not negatively impact the fen. A parcel of equal size to the road right of way was bounded out on the northeast side of the wetland/fen complex to serve as mitigation for building road through the buffer of this feature.

Roads:

Exposed soils on cut and fill slopes will be revegetated to lessen sediment impact to streams. 13,408 feet of road will be abandoned at the completion of harvest, if built.

Green tree retention and wildlife:

727 trees have been designated to be left uncut on this proposal. This represents an average of eight of the existing trees per acre. Trees are both scattered and clumped throughout the proposed harvest area. Two clumps of leave trees were placed around large snags.

Logging methods:

Proposal will be yarded by cable and ground-based systems. Leading end of logs will be suspended during yarding.